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Danger Of General Strike

MALAYAN THREAT

Singapore, Mar. 9. Forecast of a general strike of Malayan labour unless the jailed Kedah Indians are released was made yesterday by Mr A. N. Samy, leader of the 26,000 estate labourers and Vice-President of the Kedah Federation of Trade Unions.

Asked whether be and the Pan-Molayan Trade Unions were influential enough to call a general strike, Mr. Samy said: "Time will show."

Several trade union investigators are at present visiting Kedah. Among them is the Chairman of the Federation, Mr. S. A. Ganapathy. He will be leaving room for the Inter-Asian Conference at New Delhi.

Fifty-nine Indian labourers and three Indian women were sent to prison and two other Indian women were fined at Sungei Patani, in Centrai Kedah on March 4 for unlawful assembly at Bukit Sembilan, where pepper and boiling water were used in a flerce clash between the police and labourers the previous day.

Several clashes have been reported from Kedah recently, following the of business. taking over by green-uniformed labourers of some rubber estates.

Fifty-nine labourers were sentenced to six months' hard labour, three women to one month's hard labour and the other two women were fined \$50, or one month's simple imprison-

Seventeen of the men pleaded guilty, the rest claiming trial.-

PUNJAB DISORDERS

Lahore, Mar. 10. Airborne troop reinforcements with orders to shoot rioters on sight ar- Hammond's retirement from the rived in the troubled Punjab province County captaincy and the appointand Sir John Bannet. Inspector Gene-| ment of B. O. Allen as successor and into the villages.

where hundreds were killed last interests of the club during his disweek was reported to have been tinguished career of 27 years.

partly, under control. Sir Evan Jenkins, Punjab Governor eral of the Province police Rawalpindi, 100 miles northwest of his decision is no surprise.

here and said smoke was rising from "about half a dozen" villages in an

A communique said the city of

150 Perish In

Nanking, Mar. 10. A focal shipping agent said that 150 persons perished in a steamship fire at the important Yangtse river port, of Klukiang. The agent said the fire was 800 ton steamer, while sailing at fullsteam a few miles west of

More than 300 passengers and crew members, panic-stricken, Jumped into the river. Another steamship sailing in sight rescued 150 passengers.

HAMMOND'S **DECISION**

No More Test

London, Mar. 10. Walter Hammond, England's cricket captain since 1938, announces his retirement from Test cricket because of pressure

He is also relinquishing captaincy of Gloucestershire, but will play for the County whenever possible.

to lead Marylebone for the remainder of the Australasion tour. Hammond's statement, issu-

will in future prevent my playing first class cricket as regularly as I have done in the past. "In the best interests of the game

ALLEN AS SUCCESSOR

The Gloucestershire secretary. Colonel H. A. Henson, announced paid tribute to Hammond's constant Fighting in the Punjab's large cities loyalty and consideration of the best

Before going to Australia for the fourth time Hammond decided that and Sir John Bannet Inspector Gene- the Test series just finished would be the last of his illustrious caleer, so He will be 44 in June ard

been handleapped by the recurrence Rawalpindi itself was reported charge from the Royal Air Force in

Hammond played for England 84 Multan, 190 miles southwest of Lahore times, making more Test appearances "has remained quiet but there are than any other cricketer in history further reports from the surrounding and in these games scored over villages, at attacks on properties and 7,000 runs and took 83 wickets. He captained England in 19 Tests. looting of Hindu houses and shops."--

River Disaster

The ship burned nearly an hour before she sank with a cargo of foodstuffs and medicinal herbs. The loss is estimated nt CN\$100,000,000,---Associated

Cricket

London, says: "Pressure of business

have therefore decided to retire from international cricket after my return from the present tour of. Aus-

of fibrositis. It caused his dis-

EDITORIAL

Associated Press.

Draft Bill-First Reactions

TOUR points stand out sharply after perusal of the draft bill recommending imposition of taxation. 1, government apparently is willing to be guided by majority opinion in the matter of fixing the standard rate. and has accordingly left it open; 2, there is to be no attempt to rush through into legislation what might be, to taxpayers, wholly unacceptable measures; 3, proposed personal, family and other concessions are fairly generous; 4, there is no indication in the draft Bill whether it is intended to exclude HCL and rehabilitation allowances from chargeable income.

The first three considerations will go some way towards restoring public confidence in the authorities—a confidence rudely shaken by what appeared to be an unnecessary technique of occreey and procrastination in making known intentions. Earlier reports were emphatic that it was intended to impose a standard rate of 25 per, cent, and there is no reason to believe that this objective will be gladly surrendered. But credit must be given to government for declining to make any arbitrary recommendation and for putting the issue up for discussion and an open vote. Whatever opinions may be on the wisdom or practicability of introducing direct taxation at this time, everybody will feel immeasurably more satisfied in the knowledge that opportunity is to be freely given to study, and possibly in Rehovoth. obtain amendments, to the draft provisions. Biggest fear was that the colony would be dragooned into accepting painful legislation without having the chance of contesting it.

Faced with the prospect of taxation on incomes, wage-earners, naturally, are interested in proposed concessions. Those suggested in the draft Bill are reasonably good. A single person will have his allowance increased by \$2,000 over the 1941 figure; a married man will benefit by ing the imposition of collective an (noreaso of \$3,000; a family of six a total increase of \$5,000. These concessions are helpful, though an assessor would be hard put to prove that they accurately represent increased living costs. The allowances are imposing in totality, and taken in conjunction with the proposed eliding scale of charges, offer some compensation to the lower bracket wageearners. Of more vital importance is whether chargeable income is to be confined to basic salaries or is to include HCL and rehabilitation allowances. Wording of the draft Bill auggests that these subsidies against extremist atlack.—United Press. living costs will be made taxable. The forbidding phrase read: "Salaries tax shall be charged on all income arising in, derived from or received in the colony," and the only saving clause is 9 (4) which decrees "any Income exempted by order of the Governor-In-Council under section 89." The position as it stands is obviously ambiguous and government is strongly advised to make an early clarifying statement.

Terrorists London Outrage

London, Mar. 9. A mysterious telephone call from Brussels tonight said that "fighters of the Jewish underground" had touched off the explosion which damaged the

crowded Colonial Men's Club in the centre of London on Friday night. The caller dictated in French to the United Press office

in London a communique which he said had been issued by the "Jewish underground movement." The London Post Office traced the call and said it had been made from a public telephone in the central Post Office in Brussels.

The text of the communique is as |

"On Friday, 7th March, at 0.56 p.m., fighters of the Jewish underground launched an attack against the very centre of British power in London when, despite innumerable precautions, they succeeded in penetrading : into Trafalgar Square. where they attacked and damaged the British Colonial Club, a centre of British imperialism:

"The enemy suffered damage. The Jewish underground fighters returned unharmed to their base. The Jewish underground movement will continue and reinforce its attacks against the enemy on its own soil and everywhere he can be until the foreign and oppressive regime has Hammond will, of course, continue been driven out of our country."

The Colonial Club is operated for colonial servicemen by the Colonial Office Welfare Department in building in St Martin's Lane, near St Martins-in-the-Field Church.

FEW CASUALTIES

lights, brought down ceilings and either inadequate or injurious." wrecked furniture.

taken to hospital. Other servicemen other Liberals who "deplore were given first aid on the spot.----

was still under way. He said the improvisations." call to the United Press was the first indication that the Jewish underground might have been involved. The "communique" marked the first

time that any supposed self-styled representatives of the Jewish underground have claimed credit for sabotage in Britain.—United Press.

WOMAN ASSASSINATED

Jerusalem, Mar. D. Irgun Zval Leumi assassins shot dead an alleged woman informer in the heart of Rehovoth, south of Tel-Aviv, to-day while hundreds of workers hurrying to citrus groves stood by helpless.

In Tel-Aviv itself, the police and Army troops detained about 100 persons as rumours spread that the military authorities were about to divide the city into 12 compact zones with varying curfew hours as an additional security measure.

Six hundred refugees from the illegal immigrant ship. Ben Hecht. were transferred peacefully at Haifa to the British deportation vessels. Empire Rest and Empire Shelter, for transhipment to Cyprus.

Several masked men emptled their pistols into Kadia Mizrahl, a darkskinned Yemenite Woman, as she left Rehovoth police station for her home to-day. The assassins escaped. Kndin had allegedly nided criminal investigation agents in tracking down members of irgun's "Black Squad"

Tel-Aviv's 12 Hebrew newspapers threatened to close unless telephone communications were restored with Jerusalem and the outside world.

punishment on owners of houses from which extremists last night attacked Citrus House, British military headquarters in Tel-Aviv.

About 30 newsmen were caught inside Citrus House by last night's.

THE WEEK'S TOLL

Jerusalem, Mar. 10. Nine deaths were attributed to the week's violence in Palestine.

Bodies of three civilians were found within the barbed wire entanglement surrounding the Sarona Camp, where another attack occur-

A woman was found shot to death in her home outside the martial law nrea.-Associated Press.

red on Saturday, military sources 000 men.

Saving Germany From Chaos Is A Costly Job

Berlin, Mar. 9.

Since the war ended the American taxpayer spent nearly \$500,000,000 to ward off complete chaos in the nation he spent billions of dollars defeating in the war. General Joseph McNarney revealed to-day in a report covering December last. The figure does not include the cost of maintaining an American occupation army of roughly 125,-

PROPOSAL

Mr Norman Smith, Labour M.P. for Nottingham, has

There was no immediate comment from government

Presumably, Mr., Smith's proposal would concern such

Mr. Smith also proposed that Britain turn away from

offered for House of Commons debate a proposal that Britain swap her western hemisphere colonies for needed capital and

West Indies possessions as the Bahamas, Barbados, the

Leeward Islands, Trinidad and Tobaco and the Windward

multilateral trade contracts based on currency, and negotiate

long-term barter agreements with countries outside the dollar

Economic Budget' To Be Presented To Commons

London, Mar. 9. Britain's first economic or manpower "budget" will be presented to the House of Commons to-morrow by the President of the Board of Trade, Sir Stafford Cripps, in a speech which will probably last two hours.

He will talk about the grave situa- are so badly needed in industry is tion outlined in the economic White absurd .- Reuter. Paper and remedies which are put forward with a strong appeal for the co-operation of workers everywhere. There is a Government motion to approve what is proposed and to this Mr Winston Churchill and other Conservative leaders have amendment "regretting that full facts have so long been withheld' The explosion which occurred on from the country and "expressing no tralia and Now Zealand, and have Friday blew window glass and broken confidence" in the Government, informed the Board of Control of frames into the street, extinguished whose prosposals for the future are gramme, he said, still stands un-

If the Opposition amendment were airmen and seamen playing chequers sure motion. Hardly less strong is were injured seriously enough to be one by Mr Clement Davis and eight totalitarian solutions of different reached \$4,600,000. dilatoriness of the Government in appreciating the present difficulties First reports attributed the explo- and its failure to take proper steps slon to a gas leak. However, Scotland in time." They demand a workable field will give the answer. I am Yard said to-night that investigation plan instead of "quite incoherent

THREE-DAY DEBATE

The debate is to cover three days and the Government spokesmen will Reuter. include Prime Minister Attlee, Chancellor of the Exchequer Dalton, Minister of Defence A. V. Alexander and Minister of Labour George

Mr Winston Churchill will move the Opposition motion on Wednesday. Sir John Anderson and Mr R. A. Builer will also speak.

Before the debate opens in the House of Commons to-morrow, there will be a private meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party attended by Mr Attlee and his leading ministers, who will hear and answer backbench criticisms. • One which comes from both pacifists and trade unionists is that to keep over one million men in the forces when they



Police Launch Sunk

THREE LOSE LIVES

A European sub-inspector and two Chinese crewmen lost their lives when Police Launch No. 16 collided with the 55 Talposhan at 5 o'clock The Army was reported consider- this morning and immediately sonk. The launch was carrying out beat duty when the tranedy occurred. about 150 yards from Holt's Wharf. Sub Inspector Alexander Paul Zaremda, aged 35, formerly of Shanghai, Chinese Engineer No. 17, Tseung Hong and Chinese Stoker No. 74, Ngai Fo-lum, were trapped cated that 'certain persons' hoped to in the crash with 16 others. In the launch when it collided with the steamer, believed to be about 2,000 tons displacement. There were three survivors-Chinese members of the crew.,

GOVT. PLANNING Sbrewsbury, Mar. 9.

The British Air Minister, Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, stated here to-

Not the Professor of HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

BARTER

goods from the United States.

area.—Associated Press.

Islands, as well as British Honduras.

SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST, LITTLE

moentale

day that the Labour Government "mean to change the face of Britain by planning our economic life and by combining the planning with democratic freedom, in which Britain has always led mankind." The Labour Government's pro-

kinds are watching to see whether or-not-this-peaceful-method-of-social progress will succeed. The nation by its efforts in mine, factory and certain of that answer now and through the coming months and years it will bring new hope to all the world. It is now plain for all to see that only nationalisation has saved us from real disaster."-

PATROLS CLASH

the Halphong-Hanoi railway line 25 per cent. which the Vict Numbese attempted to cut, semi-official French sources

The Viet Namh patrol was routed after brisk Aghting. French troops at Namh Dinh. some 60 miles south of Hanol, beat off a Viet Namh attack on a French outpost.—Reuter.

Field Court Martial

Haifa, Mar. 9.

The sentence will be promulgated in due course on the eleven young British paratroopers accused of mutiny, it was announced when a three-days' Field General Court Martial ended in Halfa to-night. All eleven were charged with disobeying an order to make up their beds and lay out their kit on November 15.—Reuter.

August 1, 1945 to the end of 1946 the American taxpayer spent: \$395,461,000 to feed the Ger-

mans and some displaced persons in the American zone and the American sector in Germany.

A breakdown showed that from

\$26,921,700 to pay, salaries, of military assigned to military government lobs.

\$10,556,312 to pay salaries of

American civilians and Allied

nationals employed by the military government. The Germans who are supposed to bear occupation costs, had reciprocated with reichsmark payments amounting to 1,262,400,000-or only \$12,624,000 at the present military exchange rate-up to the and of last

November, the report disclosed.

ever, the mark is still worthless, ONE BRIGHT SPOT

On the international market, how-

. The report contained one financhallenged "as the only hope for cial note of encouragement. Consocial justice and national prosperity tracts for products to be exported in the postwar world." Mr Noel- from the American zone reached Only three out of a group of negro carried it would amount to a cen- Baker added: "In many countries, nearly \$25,000,000 by the end of countless anxious people faced by 1948 and the actual cash receipts

...The cash came chiefly from the sale of Germany's famed hops the United States and Belgium.

For the newly fused British and has honoured me. American zones the export goal for be my real contact with Moscow, and 1947 is \$100,000,000. By 1950 the the Russian peoply, except for we Americans and British hope to have brief period when we met at Yelte. their two zones economically selfsufficient,

The report noted gloomily that December industrial production the American zone dropped five per cent below that in November and was only 39 per cent of the 1936 average, mainly because of the protracted cold spell. Precision ma-French and Viet Namh patrols chinery and optics production took clashed near Halphong to-day on the worst slumps-between 20 and

HEALTH POSITION

Gen. McNarney noted with some satisfaction, however, that the crime situation was no worms and the Germans did not seem to be losing those held for Mr Bovin and M 20 pounds underweight and elderly the top Soviet official to meet Gen men and women about 20 pounds. | Marshall, with a dozen or more For-McNarney said, remained a serious and a couple of hundreds of Soviet problem, with little immediate pro- and foreign reporters and photospect of sufficient hospitalisation for graphers. isolation and treatment of thousands of open cases.

military governor, Maj. Gen. Frank a small item. A. Kealing, has ordered a new investigation to cleanse university were carried referating the Soviet staffs of all Nazi elements.-United position on Germany and, the

Big Four Meeting

Envoy's Cautious Forecast

BY R. H. SHACKFORD

Moscow, Mar. 9. The United States Secretary of State, General George Marshall, arriving for the opening of the Foreign Ministers' meetto-morrow, predicted difficulties ahead but eventual Big Four agreement which would "greatly advance the

cause for peace." General Marshall was the last of the visiting Ministers to arrive for the most important postwar conference since Potsdam. Britain'k Ernest Bevin preceded him by a full day and France's Georges Bidault

by a few hours. Gen Marshall's big, shiny, fourmotored C-54 landed at Central Airport from Berlin, about 24 hours prior to the four. Foreign Ministern' sitting down in the conference room to begin negotiations on the German

and Austrian peace treatles. It was announced that the opening session would start at 5 p.m. Moscow time on Monday, probably at the Flyers' Club, although it was not officially stated where sessions would be held.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS Mr Bevin completed his round of courtesy calls with a visit to the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Vyacheslav Molotov, having seen Gen Marshall and M. Bidault at their respective.

embassles. Mr. Beyin also received

felicitations from Mr Molothy, in re-

turn for his earlier congratulations on their mutual birthday. This dabulous capital city of the Siviet Union, well-scrubbed, and relighed for more than 300 foreign guests, was ready for the conforence with extra militia stationed tabus hour downtown streets. The biggest hotel, the Moskva, was turned over completely to house delegations and correspondents. Gen Marshall's arrival was the day's highlight because firstly, he is a newcomer to the Foreign

Ministers Council and secondly, it is his first visit to Moscow. AIRPORT STATEMENT

In a statement at the airport on his arrival, Gen Marshall reminded the Russians that it was his first visit and welcomed; his first real contact with the Russian people. "I am very happy to have arrived in Mescow," stated Gen Marshall. "It is the first time I have been here and on such a and very beautiful day. I

gratified by the reception which This will "The mission on which I have come across is known the world over as one of enormous importance and consequence for all mankind.

"There have been many difficulties which are unavoidable, as there are bound to be in negotiations designed to accomplish real peace. Undoubtedly there will be difficulties, great difficulties, here. But they will be met successfully and liam confident hat by peaceful methods of negotiation we will reach an agreement which will advance the cause; of peace, in which we all and very much

interested." The reception at the airport for Gen Marshall was of the same type as much more weight, although the Bidnult, without honour guards of average urban adult male in the bands. The Soviet deputy Foreign American zone is between five and Minister, M. Andrei Vishinsky, was The control of tuberculosis, Gen. eign Office officials and diplomats

PRESS TREATMENT

The Sunday-morning edition o On the education side, the report Prayda featured Mr Bevin's arrival disclosed that the assistant deputy with a picture and his statement and

However, several long articles (Continued on Page 4)

Foul Play Suspected In Plane Crash

Rome, Mat. 9. The English language Rome daily, American, reported to-day that a member of Egypt's Royal Family who came to Italy to investigate the crash of the Italian military plane at Terracina on February 15 "is convinced it was exploded in midair by a

prevent the plane from reaching its true destination" and said the Prince

bomb."

orised and secret".

Quoting informed sources, the King Farouk's-personal order. Prin- | fled the passenger as Mrs Gilda

The newspaper also said Prince King Victor Emmanuel, who is now when the plane crashed. - United. mmmatining and a first the newspaper identi- Press.

American said Prince Ibrahim Fazhil, cess Amina Anem Barontz, niso a Almania Ambron and said she came relative of King Farouk, and "indi- relative of Egypt's King, was killed to Italy to check the disposal of several million lire left here by the The American said its sources ex-King for use by Italian charities. "quoted Fazhil as saying one of the The newspaper said Mrs Ambron "stated flatly the flight was 'unauth- plane's passengers and been sent to had in her possession a complete reitaly on a special mission" for ex- port on the distribution of funds



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Commencing To-Morrow:

The Factual Film

BRITAIN'S GIFT

GOTHE documentary is Bri-L tain's outstanding contribution to the film." Thus the opening sentence of "The Factual Film." a survey by the Arts Enquiry (Oxford University Press, 12s. 6d.), and it has the simple confidence that belongs to a statement of fact rather than opinion.

sky of cloud and wind.

It was 1929; Mr John Grierson had made "Drifters." and a cinema which had stormed with astonishing violence and vitality through romantic wastes of silence and now found itself confronted with the TT becomes clear, then, that doproblem and challenge of sound did not altogether recognise the im- in the cinema as the one-andportance of the strip of celluloid the studied gesture of the actor but libraries-wherever, indeed, people in the sight of men going soberly gather together not to be entertained about their daily work.

It is strange how quickly the early cinema forgot its origins and the purpose for which the first daguerrectype was invented, which was to and at length the various limbs that record for posterity the faces and forms of actual people, and not to set up as a competitor of fiction or the stage.

"Pure" cinema may be as much of a delusion as that "pure" poetry but the cinema divorced from the necessity of telling an artificial story not merely to reproduce its image, use damera, screen and natural life as an artist uses paints, canvas, and the scene before him, was at least on the track of it.

Two Films

perament was the task of informing was responsible for the production realism with imagination. "Target of some 35 films-by the local ches," to mention only two of the religious and political organisations; many memorable films made while there is the international use of the enemy was in arms against us, factual film and there are the newsderived their strength from the reels. fidelity with which they recorded the working day, the prosaic routine, the steadfast background, to feats of individual courage and endurance.

Such set pieces represent. howit considers.

Apparently the question of a site is causing trouble. Why? All you

have to do is to find an area which

POCKET CARTOON

The Film Critic Of The Times

Facts and figures abound. while figures have a way of confusing, they occasionally clarify. The Scottish herring fleet is out throw into relief, made startlingly at sea, the deck slants up at an clear the little comprehended. For acute angle, the nets are alive with instance, from August 31, 1944, to a silver slither of fish, and a burly September 1, 1945, 55,216ft, of film form in a soutwester cuts for a belonged to what is known in the moment a dark pattern against a trade as "general non-theatrical distribution," while there were in operation 144 mobile units giving in the course of the year 50,412 shows to no fewer than 8,950,799 people.

Many Uses

cumentary has two homes, one sixpennies understand it, the other in the schools, the village halls, the which sought its inspiration not in institutes, the factories, the public but to learn.

> The book glances back to the past and recounts the work done by the Empire Marketing Board and the G.P.O. unit, and considers rationally go to make up the documentary

There is the purely educational film, for use both in the elementary schools and in the universities. There are films which teach training in the various branches of the Services, sought so earnestly by George Moore, in industry, in agriculture, films which never find their way into the theatres, for while, for instance, such a film as the "Crown of the and free to take natural material, Year," an impression of farming directed with an eye for the vivid but to select, to shape, to infuse, to pictorial phrase, was a generally shown, there are whole classes of film, more factual, detailed and instructive, which are made for specialised groups and are, to all intents and purposes, illustrated lectures.

colonial peoples—the Department of hind films like "The Way We Live" THE war showed how precisely Social and Industrial Research of adapted to our national tem- the International Missionary Council by critical opinion, into the cinemas for To-night" and "Western Approa- authorities, by scientific societies, by formula of the Hollywood epic.

Recommendations

ever, only a fraction of the work of tions at the same time as it gives the lights are not for us and the aesthetic its course and its challenge without "documentary," and "The Factual facts. Thus more use could be made pleasures of "Drifters" are long ago, the falsification of sentimentality, Film" has a long and complex story of the film in education. There are Mr Grierson himself, who is a our feature films have achieved a to tell. It is a full, closely printed shortages of projectors and of films; force behind policy, would not make status and a reputation they could book of some 250 pages, and the many teachers show little real inter- a film of that type to-day, and is, hardly have dreamed of in 1939. Index affords evidence of the far- est in the film as a medium and too indeed, an uncompromising opponent. These feature, films owed their reaching and multifarious activities often the films that are made justify of much that it stood for, "in our inspiration to the high standards of the considers. their distrust.

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

may be forgetting all about the station, and tear down an me meyer junt realied to ward analysis. Super-Mammoth-Exhibition to Park are out of the question, as by poking his baton into his ear. The that time the one will be a film diva took the first notes with ease,

The Americans are wiser in these

matters. They call this sort of thing

a Fair, which suggests fun. We call

it an Exhibition, which suggests Wembley, and miles and miles of

dreary machinery, with an occasional group of giraffe-necked girls from Burma sheltering from the wind in

sham grottoes. I told you, boy, to show Mrs Wowle out.

Call this a first-class hotel?

HEAR that a passenger in the

to New York made a fearful row

with the 40,000 pursers. He said,

"My cabin must be changed."
"What's wrong with it, sir?" ."I can
see the sea from it."

Another unfortunate

Queen Elizabeth on a recent run

colony and the other a television grace, and I know not what. The

MENSE was the word. The Jewel , choose Bing Crosby, Frank Sinatra

A Song was about to begin. Rusti- Rudy Vallee, and Fred Astaire.

and bawled:

Seaside Louise.

She's such a daisy,

By the bring breeze.

She drives us all crazy

Down came the curtain.

Hear the Grable in

ERTAEN publicists are grow- is not being used for a race track, guzzi was singing Marguerite.

Institute are described as "unsatisfactory," and its failure, as the survey sees it, "has been largely due to weaknesses in its constitution, organisation, and method of finance, though these cannot be held wholly responsible for the lack of initiative and drive characteristic of much of its work." Again the newsreels in peace are

The activities of the British Film

too concerned with the trivial and are apt to think they have done a good day's work if they show a few moments of a football match and the laying of a foundation-stone.

parallel to the American "March of Time" or the Canadian "World in Action," which seek out controversial subjects, exhibit them dramatically, and comment on them something in the manner of a newspaper

The value of the survey is reflected in the fact that three of its four main recommendations have nirendy been carried out in principle at least—the continuance of officially sponsored film production and distribution through the Films Division of the Central Office of Information, the planning and implementing of a visual education policy by the Ministry of Education, and the establishment of a Films Department by precious urban writer letting himself

The Idea

however, than material considerations of sponsorship, distributlon, exhibition economics and all Then there are the uses of film for behind the British documentary, be- live under it. which force themselves, or are forced and the consciousness of people normally absorbed by the grandiose

is a grave concern with the problems he enough money, sufficient leisure, of our time; our films are conscious is plumbing a trade with a future, of their responsibility. They are how does his life compare with that not afraid of diagrams and statistics: of plumbers in Klev, in Stockholm, they move to the ponderous tread of in Buenos Aires? n blue-book. The continental na--THE report allows itself comments, tions may decorate their documents. As a result of the war and our criticisms, and recommenda- with gaiety and fantasy; such que capacity for tracing on the screen world" he wrote:---

> audience chattered happily. And then (infandum renovare jubes, etc.)

> Rustiguzzi stepped to the footlights

Oh, how she longs for a squeeze,

NTOW that such clever tricks can be

played with sound on the films,

so that a man who has never held an

oboe may seem to be playing it with

skill and verve, why not have an

entire opera without the bother of

engaging great singers? Gramo-phone records would do the trick, while Rita Hayworth and Dorothy

Lamour "sang" Mimi and Musetta.

For the four bohemians I would

"Pagliacci"

It is specially necessary these days to guard against the nesthetic argument. It is plausible and apt to get under the defence of any maker in any medium. But, of course, it is the dear bright-eyed old enemy and by this time we know it very well. Documentary was from the beginning an "anti-nesthetic" movement,

Man, in other words, who is already, conscious 'enough of the material factors in the world round him, of the services he is expected to render the State and the responsibilities the State bears towards him. is not to be allowed to forget, and films will use all the tricks and shifts of which they are capable to see that he does not. We live, says the Grierson school in effect, in a technological society—the jargon cannot be escaped—and a technological society is necessarily an interdependent onc.

We are in a very real; even a bitter, sense of the words our There was for long in England no brother's keeper, but in spite of the superficial proximity in which he is brought by wireless, newsprint, and the speed of modern travel we really know little about him and the way

Long Struggle

DOCUMENTARY for many people still means a gentle illustration, a development of the old-fashioned travel film given to musing by the village church and following the wooded curves of the river.

The British Council once produced n number of films of this kind which prettyfied the countryside and interpreted England in the manner of a go on the subject of his week-end cottage. Look at the landscape, urge the more austere, and see not the static images of fields and trees but OF more importance for the future. the dynamic images of soil conversion and co-operative marketing. Turn but a stone and start not wing but a demonstration of the the complex rest of it is the idea manner in which the human ants

There is so much we take for granted. The hot-water tap, for instance, and the documentary of the future may be concerned to show not how the popes work but the kind of man the plumber is. Where does Our distinguishing characteristic he live, what is his background, has

realism set by the British documentary. They were not reached, however, without a long and arduous
struggle carried on in circumstances
of extreme difficulty and without
help from the big battalions of the industry. It is by no means over to-day and public support is needed as much as over. But documentary has proved its importance and must U ing afraid that the public an airfield, or an experimental the stage box Agricola K. Hunch- beware only of preaching its sociostation, and tear down all the meyer jun. leaned forward anxiously. logical message from too narrow and limited a text.

Rupert and Ninky-55



Next morning Rupert starts of with the lotter to Santa Claus and errying Ninky. Before he can post the letter he hears the whirr of the ne cries. "He has come back, after ill, to see it I will go to Santa Claus igam. He can take this letter in-yeard. It will save time." The Scout lands and hears Rupert explain what has happened. "Well, it's a onty there will never be another dankey like Ninky." he says, "but . t's been great fun !"

ALL KIONTS RESERVED.

NO, BUT ASTROLOGY LIVNOR YOU UNDERSTAND **DOES**. THE SYMBOLS / PLAYS

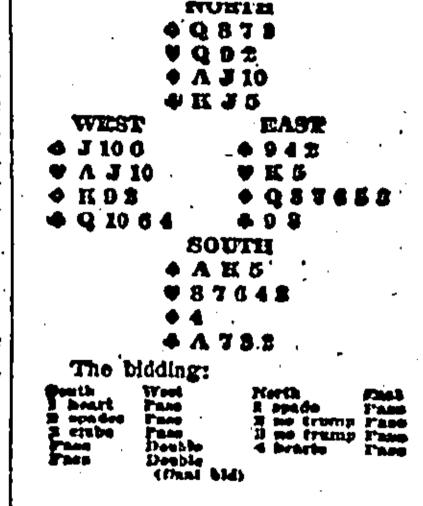
According To Culbertson

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Both partners, North and South, lost splendld apportunities in to-day's deal—North in the bidding and South in the play.

South, dealer.

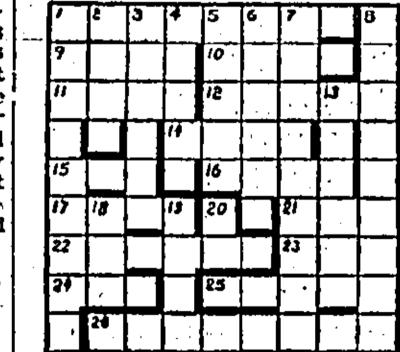
Both sides vulnerable.



North's hand was good enough for a jump to three no trump over South's two spades. Actually, however, North's method of bidding should have had a better result, because it coaxed West into a double of three no trump that North should have redoubled.

Against four hearts West opened the club four and declarer put in the jack from dummy. He led a spade to the king and returned a heart. West played the ten, dummy the queen and East the king. East returned his last club. The king won and now declarer made the fatal error of leading the third club from dummy, intending to ruff his own last club. East, however, ruffed in with the five of trumps, and that was that.

The third lead of clubs by declarer before drawing another round of trumps was very bad figuring. This was not the point at which to worry about losing a club trick—the suit might break or the fourth club could be thrown off on dummy's fourth spade if that suit broke. The vital thing was to get out the trumps and prevent an adverse club ruff.



t. Bounds though she tried, unsuccessfully, to shoot someone.

(B) 9. Object of worship. (4)

10. Coal district — not Russian Royalty. (4)

11. Dan was his first name. (4)

12. If you want a French river, change the bird. (5)

14. Currency with wooden end. (4)

15. Reposed (at the week-end 7). (8)

16. Shut up. and where. (4)

17. Not this but the other, 14: 21. Mcal. (3 22. In France opens part of first course. (6)
23. A bluff king. (3)
24. This phobla is a dread

25. Beach-head projectile ? (5) 26. Try Coram for the base. (8)

1. Very neavy neckware i (9) 2. They were dangerous in March.

J. The boy's at a concert appa-ently. (6) 4. Stuffing people. (5) 5. Biblical character. (6) 6. Hurried a bit we hear. (95) the cash. (6)
7. Whom we should love: (4, 6)
8. Forever with bird and friend. (9)
13. Another note? No, wash it out.

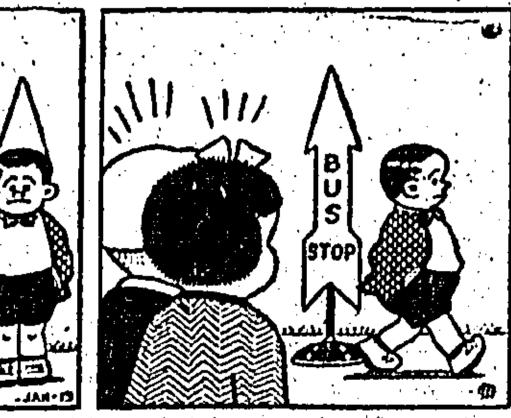
19. fliot for three. (4) 20. Begin the week. (2)

Anyway, It's Just His Size









When You Feel Tired and Restless Elliotts Nerve

Brain Tonic

On Salo at All Dispensaries

By Ernie Bushmiller

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The Career Girl will profit from the advice given to-day.

"DEAR LOIS LEEDS"

"Dear Lois Leeds-Do you think that an office worker should wear just plain clothes and wear a hair net? My aunt insists I cut out all makeup and insists that I shouldn't try to look attractive. Please state your opinion.—NELL G. W."

This is a modern age and business and career girls want to look as attractive as possible. Simple clothes, just enough makeup and well groomed hair are part of your approach to success. And, as most of your life is lived at your work, why look dull and drab? If your lob in one connected with foods, you should confine your hair in a net (that's a law in many places) but otherwise it is not necessary. A smart, wellput-together look gains attention and when you look your best-you DO your best!

"Dear Lois Leeds-Is brown a bad colour for a bride? I am to be or single, engaged or looking married at our city hall at noon, around. going away at once. I am blonde, brown eyes .- H. B.'

A Brown suit would look very smart. I suggest Beige gloves and blouses, Brown hat and a shoulder corsage of small "mums" in Golden

"Dear Lois Leeds-My skin is very sallow in colour though I am perfectly healthy. When I get powder in my skin tone I look pasty. What do you suggest? I have tried masles and stimulation but the tone of my skin remains yellowish.



Whon you have a "date" be the "Fretty Lady" type! HE likes you to look softly feminine. So, do n smooth hairdo but keep it feminine. And a touch of perfume is real "date bate"!

In your case you must contrast

your face powder with your skin tone. Choose a warm shade with Pink tones. This will give "warmth" to your skin. A clear Rose-Red rouge and lipstick will also aid in the beautifying.

What Hats Are Coming To

The bewildered male, who never could understand women's taste in headgear, got a break recently.

Now it is conversational hals, complete, if she desires, with the wearer's name, telephone number, whother she's married

The new-style chapeau is the creation of Rodney. That's all, just Rodney. He is listed in the St Louis telephone directory as "Rodney,

in all sizes, shapes and colour schemes, mostly white, pink or light blue. But instead of the usual floral trimming topside, there are bright red felt letters or numbers mounted on thin colled springs. These contain the vital statistics.

Will Wear Anything

Rodney, a firm believer that in were onet ing on their heads, charges from US\$39 and \$50 up for his conversation pieces. He says his latest creation was "just "u orre t

ful—at any price.

Rodney said one woman wore the physics and chemistry.

telephone number motif at a party one week-end and was a sensation, "Her phone has been busy ever since," he said. since," he said.

her name used, said the same thing, Not Bashful

Rodney says the ladles are not bashful about suggesting a motif for her out of it. Another had me put 'maybe' on hers."

hotel, has one of the chapeaux with the United States by special perthe word "careless" atop the brim. mission of the Chinese Governtional" in the lobby of the hotel ment.

"It was wonderful," she said." 'Nearly caused a riot. Now I am Working up courage to wear it out on the street."-United Press.

SIDE GLANCES



"It's another one of these spells, Mem-I'm too sick to go to school and not sick enough to stay in bed! Do you think a little consting would pop me up?"

UNRRA Locomotives On Way To Hongkong

Forty-seven UNRRA locomotives and tenders, built specially for China's needs, are on their way from New York to Hongkong. They are being sent here in the Norwegian steamer, Beljeanne, which left New York on February 11.

Weighing about 80 tons each, these locomotives represent the first instalment of 160 which UNRRA is shipping to China. They are valued at almost | \$15,000,000. The most up-todate models, they are equipped with many special accessories and are designed to operate economically from the standpoint of both coal consumption and labour.

They are the products of three American locomotive companies. During their manufacture, Chinese technicians worked in the factories, assisting and observing methods of construction and maintenance so as to be able to use them most effectively in China.

The remainder of the 160 locomolives will leave the United States at intervals of about one month, according to UNRRA. They will be unloaded at Shanghai instead of Hongkong, reports Central News.

Transport Rehabilitation

These locomotives are part of UNRRA's \$94,226,000 programme of transport rehabilitation for China. including air, water, road and raitway transport. Almost half of this programme, \$44,484,000, is for railway renabilitation alone. This includes a

locomotives, 3,466 freight cars, 43,306 tons of bridging more than 100,000 tons of steel rails and accessories, \$1,150,000 worth of spares and accessories. It also includes about 1,000,000 rallway ties

Besides the 100 locomotives now China. Valued at \$4,800,000, they are expected to be delivered as from this summer.

U. OF HAWAII, YENCHING TO SWAPTEACHERS

The University of Hawaii at Honolulu and China's Yenching University have completed ar-The conversational pieces come rangements for the exchange of duce miracles the very first time teachers between them, according to the China Institute in America.

Under the arrangements, Dean William Hung of Yenching University will teach this spring and summer in Hawali, while starting with the 1947 school year several professors of Hawaii University will teach at Yenching.

a list of whom reads like the social restore the buildings and equipment elections. register, think the many are wonder- destroyed by Japanese in the war, Another friendly gesture to Yen- criticise the feminine members of Most of the conversation pieces he ching and the Chinese people as a the Diet are vague in their charges. establishment of 10 scholarships in

TRAFFIC

Scenes photographed "One of them wanted to put 'will- Shanghai by film director Ray ing' on it," he said. "But I talked Nazarro for the Columbia pic-Nazarro for the Columbia picture "Assigned One matron, who lives at a ritzy Treasury" will be processed in

> Namarro cabled the studios that officials in Nanking have agreed to relax the stringent rule that requires all film exposed in China to be developed in the country. The excep-tion was made, he said, because of the documentary importance of some of the scenes of the picture, which portrays international efforts to curb the illinia traffic in narcotics.—Assoclated Press.

Tokyo Export Exhibit

Exportable . Japanese comavailable for foreign buyers.

be permitted to enter Japan for pur- of entry.

as a Library of American and fallen off. European trade journals and catalogues.

Siam Rolls Over, Gives Up Ghost

A 30-year-old pachyderm named Siam rolled over and died of a heart ottack last, week, leaving the badly depleted Berlin Zoo elephanticas. Siam was the only one of Berlin's six elephants to survive wartime bombings, says United Press.

Lower Chinese **Population**

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China's population, 'according to the latest Ministry of Interior statistics, is 455,900,648. Of this 230,-975,499 are males. The population figure is an estimate of 10,000,000 below the 1944 figure, says Associated Press.

JAP WOMEN TO RUN FOR DIET

By ERNEST HOBERECHT A large number of Japanese

women are expected to the for Diet seats in the coming elections which General Douglas MacArthur has ordered the Japanese government to hold, but Japanese observers predict they will have a tough time getting votes.

Thirty-nine women now hold and 3,500 box cars, flat cars, and seats in the Diet-for the first time in Japanese history-and it process of shipment from the would seem logical to assume United States, UNRRA is having 50 that a greater number would be locomotives built in Australia for swept into office by the second democratic election in Japan. However, things may not work out that way. It seems that the present women

members of the Diet have not been spectacular enough. They have not created a sensation. They have done their job, just as the male members have done their job, but they have not given the voters a "Hollywood finish." It has been repeatedly pointed out

in Japanese circles that these feminine members of the Diet have not done anything outstanding. However, their critics have to admit that the women have done as good as the men. Even so, it appears that the women were expected to prothey had a chance to make themselves heard in the government of this country.

Pleased At Efforts Allied officials and many obser-

vers have been very pleased with the efforts of the women who admittedly are now at law making and who probably are entitled to play only a moderately active role until they get the feel of the situation. Numerous Meanwhile, Yenching alumni in Allied officials are hoping that the Honolulu have started a campaign number of women. Diet members to raise funds to help Yenching to can be greatly increased by the next Most of the Japanese men who

has sold so far have gone out with whole was made by the estate of the Generally they say: "We thought afford to buy. the telephone number of the wearer late T. F. Farm of Honolulu, which they were going to do so much. We topping the bonnet like little red donated funds to Yenching for the heard them say they would improve the plight of the Japanese women." To give credit where credit is due,

> But this still does not seem spectacular enough for the voters. The consensus is that the women candidates are going to have to do some excellent campaigning if they want to get back in office.

CHINA MAY LOSE U.S. TEA MARKET

A total of 43,000 pounds of Chinese tea received in New York in February have been destroyed because their quality has been "so poor," Charles F. Hutchinson, U.S. tea examiner, told Central News.

Without directly referring to the Chinese tea, Hutchinson said that he had already publicised a letter in modities will be exhibited in the which was given a warning to can scientists the botulinus toxin, is drops of which new Japan Trade Hall which is them to exercise painstaking care in to be opened on April 1 in Tokyo preventing deteriorated tea and of for displaying samples of goods unsound quality from being shipped or blended with new ten for shipment to the United States. This announcement follows closely The letter also said that the U.S. the recent revelation from SCAP's standards will be rigidly enforced by

The Trade Hall will also exhibit "agod." The result is that Amerisamples of imported goods and serves can consumption of Chinese tens has

Keemun Liked However, he continued, the American market can be regained if China sends the new crop and ships the current crop to somewhere else: Otherwise, he warned, the US tea market will no longer be China's. Comparing Chinese tea with other teas, Hutchinson said that tea from China is poor in comparison with others because the former lacks a uniform quality. Sometimes, be pointed out, China can produce good black, and green long teas. The Keemun ten from Anhwel is the

Window On The World

Darwin.-The first known penetration by a white man of central Arnhem Land, Northern Territory, has been completed by Patrol Omcer Sydney Kyle Little, Native Affairs Branch, Northern Territory Administration.

With a party of natives, Little explored what he calls a "weird now fund" consisting of a treeless, waterless, terribly rusged escarpment of solid rock.

On reaching the centre of the escarpment, in an attempt-to cross Arnhem Land from north to south, he was forced to quit because of low water supply.

Here was no sign of life but natives told him of a tribe at the far end of the escarpment who live in caves and who are human only in form. They are reputed to have agreed tribally that no white man shall look on them.

An Australian-American expedition is scheduled to penetrate this forbidding land in April.

BIGGEST DIAMOND HAUL

Dar-es-Salaam.—Police noticed two African beer drinkers behaving oddly, so they investigated. They had 2,000 shillings, so the law looked into their house. They found 68 uncut diamonds £1,250, one being valued at £325 alone. It is the biggest haul in illicit diamonds in Tanganyika yet.

NO BOOGIE WOOGIE?

Moscow.—The mayor of Vladivostok has banned the Foxirot, the Tongo and the blues and has issued a list of 14 traditional terpsicherean whirls that will be permittedonly-in local dance halls. Izvestia raps the mayor by saying he might weil turn his attention to vulgar artists on local stages. Oh well, it would be tough to live in fur boolg anyway!

OH. DR. SCHOLL!

Madrid.—Pedro Arction of Cadiz province, has walked 37,500 miles since August 23, 1944. He hopes to make it 45,000 within a year. Pedro made a vow to do this when he came out of the Spanish war unscratched. He says a prayer in eoch village.

KISMET

Capetown,-Harry Marchant flew thousands of hours in the Battle of Britain; roared through countless dogfights and lived to see the peace. He itched to fly again recently and hired a plane to take his wife on a trip near their home to Ladysmith. Coming back he bumped the top of a gum tree plantation. Mrs Murchant was unhurt but he died.

LEPERS ESCAPE

Genea.-A group of lepers escaped from the segregation ward of the San Martino Hospital in Genoa and were found a few hours later sitting in a crowded cinema. DEPRESSION NO DOUBT

New York.—Billy Leeds, millionaire whose prewar yachts looked more like luxury liners, has decided to charter one now, for he is down to his last £3,000,000 and cannot

IL DUCE WAS SORE

Rome. - Luciano Patigliani 50 It must be recalled that Japan's new | bears a striking resemblance to Musconstitution, which goes into effect solini and this has got him into May 3, has been put together during | trouble very often. When a group of the tenure of these current lady urchins followed him down a Milan Diet members and was approved by them. The new constitution, which they had a hand in bringing into rescue and the whole affair ended being, will give women in Japan in court where the boys were repriequal Fights with men for the first smanded and "Il Duce" appeased.

LEHAR UNPOPULAR

Vienna.-Franz Lehar, father of the Vienna Operetta, aged 76, has left Austria for good. Viennese press reports are angry. They say: "He is earning fortunes in dollars and Swiss francs every year, but does not want them paid out in Austrian schillings. When the Nazis were here he did not mind. Now Austria is poor, he forsakes her."

WINCHELL'S THREAT New York. -- Columnist Walter Winchell suggests an American remedy if Sir Stafford Cripps carried out his threat to limit American films to Britain. Says he: "Lloyds of London gels more business from America than it does from Britain and the British Empire put together. Does Mr Cripps mean we should

stop that?" ROUGH ON MICE Washington.—The U.S. Army has gone back to censorship as far as developments in bacteriological warfare are concerned. But they have been unable to stop 'a report-not confirmable, of course—that Ameriwould destroy 40 billion mice.

WILD LIFE CENSUS Ottawa. The annual inventory of wild ducks and geese in North America has just been taken, OMcials tried aerial photography this year. More than 1,000 officials obserchofficial sources that foreign buyers government inspectors at the ports, ved at wintering grounds. When all reports are in, a sound foundation chase of limited types of Japanese Hutchinson said that Chinese tea will be reached on which to base next autumn's hunting regulations.

PERAK'S OLDEST RESIDENT DIES

.Perak's oldest resident, and one of the oldest men in Malaya, has died. He was Tuan Habib All, who was 110 years old when he died at Kampong Planng, Ipoh. A former penghulu of Ipoh, Tuan Habib All knew the town when it

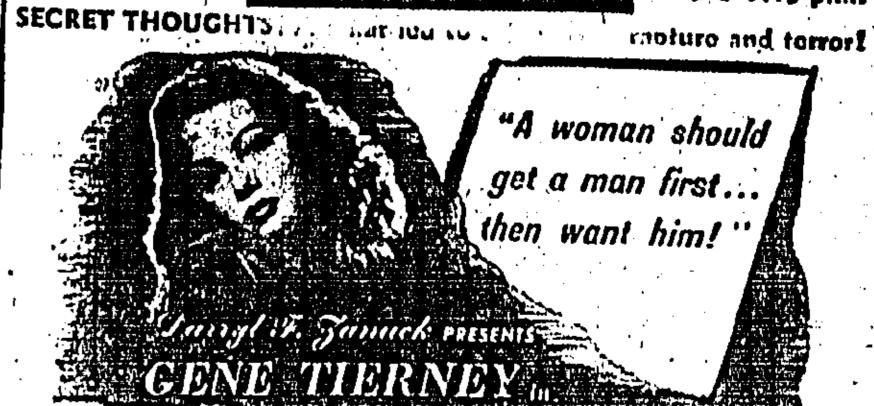
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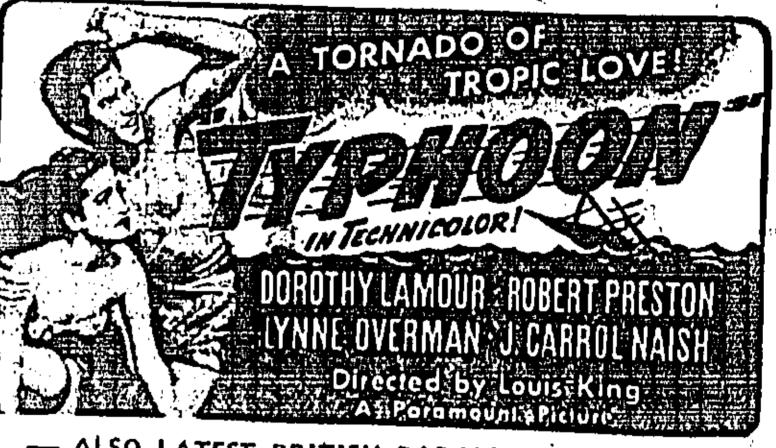


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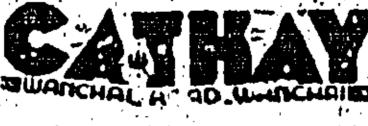
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QUADRUPLETS, AID TWO-YEAR PLAN

Prague, Mar. 9. Quadruplets, were born yesterday in the village of Bohotin, North Moravia, to Mrs B. Cikryta, who had previously borne two sets of twins and one set of triplets.

The Communist daily, Rude Pravo, said: "This is a wonderful contribution to the success of the two-year plan."-United Press.

Brilliant Sunshine In England

London. Mar. 9. sunshine in southern England said. and the highest temperature for two months gave hope to-day that the end of the snow spell, which has brought the country's industrial life to a near standstill, is now in sight.

In London, the day was the warmest since January 18, and at 3.00 p.m. (GMT) the temperature was 50 degrees Fahrenheit.

Generally, London has been five degrees warmer than yesterday and the thermometer has never sunk below 36 degrees.

At the university town of Combridge, 48 miles from London, the thermometer went up to 61 degrees. However, more snow was reported from the north of England, and a vicious blizzard swept Yorkshire.

Air Ministry Cautious

After last weekend's predicted thaw had turned out to be the worst blizzard of the winter, the Air Ministry to-day was cautious about expressing a forecast of "outlook." The most it would say was that "mild conditions are expected to | spread across all southern districts, preceded by a period of snow, sleet

or rain." In spite of the sun, roads were still dangerous to-day over wide areas of the country, snow giving way to equally dangerous slush. The Great North Road—main trunk route between London and Scotland--which was cut in many places by snow last week, is now open again throughout its length.-Reuter.

Chou Charges America

Yerran, March. 10. Chou En-lai, chief d'plomatic figure of the Chinese Communists, bitterly charged to-day that the United States still was heavily supporting the Chiang Kal-shek government and that the American policy "has gone from bad to worse" since General George C. Marshall became Secretary of State.

Chou said the United States is continuing the financial support of Chiang's government through cotton and railroad loans and by other means "while making a pretence of withholding \$500,000,000 asked by the government as a loan."

The assistance still going to Chiang, he insisted, will exceed the amount of the withheld loan.

"Only the apport of the United States is keeping Chiang and his dictatorship government from complete collapse," Chou asserted.—Associated Press.

Stassen Optimistic Of 1948 Presidential Candidacy Chances

Romo, Mar. 9. Mr Harold Stassen, replying to a press conference question last night, said he has been "very encouraged" by developments affecting his candidacy for U.S. Republican presidential nomination.

He said he announced his candidacy early because he wants to discuss all fundamental issues openly and fully, and feels he cannot continue to sidestep the constant question of whether he would be a candidate, especially after the November elections.

of Minnesota,' said repeatedly he did not believe the United States people would return to isolationism.

American people is to follow A day of brilliant spring-like through on foreign affairs," he

> He said the purpose of his trip, which already has taken him to Belgium and Greece as well as Italy, is "observation of the economic and social factors which affect the standards of living of the

Mr Stassen said so far in Italy he had seen the Pope, the Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister, the Ministers of Labour and Agriculture, the High Commissioner for Food and the Governor of the Bank of Italy-"all in an entirely unofficial capacity, to get a background on economic problem which will affect United States decisions."

He described an audience with the Pope as a "deeply moving experience," and said he found Pope Pius "extremely well-informed and interested in the welfare of all peoples in the world."

No Snap Judgments

Mr Stassen refused to speculate on possible Democratic presidential candidates. He refused, to answer questions about how Americans view Communism in Europe whether the United States should assume British commitments in such

INDIA BEING FRIENDLY TO INDONESIANS

Batavia, Mar. 9. The Indian Interim Government envoy, Mr Kundan, to-day told the Indonesian President, Dr Soekarno, that India had rejected all offers to conclude commercial treaties with the Netherlands Indies Government and was prepared to establish trade relations only with the Indonesgovernment, the Antara news agency reported.

from Pandit Nehru, The books consophy, music and architecture and incident to two ships which have Mahatma Gandhi's "Peace and left for Cyprus.

envoy revealed that the Indian Gov- gency meeting of the Jewish Agency erhment had enforced special re- executive to be held to-morrow in gulations prohibiting the Dutch KLM planes transporting passengers from touching down at Indian airports, said Antara.—United Press.

COLOURFUL CEREMONIES IN VATICAN CITY

Vatican City, Mar. 9. One of the most colourful ceremonies of the Roman Catholic Church will mark the eighth anniversary of the coronation of Pipe Pius XII on Wednesday in the famed Sistine Chapel decorated by Michelangelo.

The Pope observed his 71st birthday and eighth anniversary of his election to the Pontificiate on March 2, but no ceremony marked the occasion. On Wednesday, the anniversary will be commemorated with an official Church holiday and a ceremony faithful to the traditions of the

The Pope himself faces a busy: week, with the opening of the secret and public consistory on Monday for the canonisation of three French, one Swiss and one Italian saint. He will deliver a short address to the cardinals during the secret meeting. The public consistory is open only to certain ecclesiastical authorities.

At 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday the ceremony marking the coronation anniversary begins when all cardinals present in Rome meet in the Borgia Hall in the Vatican Apostolic Palace. There they will don silken red robes 'decorated with white ermine, and Michelangelo's, famous picture of more interest in how Gen Marshall sive in the future." await the arrival of the Pope.

Papal Procession The Papal procession proceeds to the Bistine Chapel where a high mass will be recited by Benedetto, 'Cardingl Aloisi-Maselta, the first cardinnl elected by the Pope. Patriarchs, archbishops and bishops, secretaries of sacred and religious congregations, apostolic dignatories and consistorial Then they will present their homage Invyers-all garbed in multi-coloured cosil mes designed in the middle ages-will form the Papal proces-

Hall of Paramenti and join in the unniversary with reserved reprocession as the cardinals pass by joicing. All offices are closed and with, the Pontiff high on the ges- the 500 citizens of the state have a uniforms disigned by Michelangelo prayer and meditation. will lead the group, bearing halberds . Hundreds of congratulatory teleand wearing shining silver breast- i grams have started to pour into the

leather boots, tight white deer-skin trousers and fitted blouses, will march beside the gestatorial chair or denazify Germany. with drawn sabres.

Vatican City Rejoicing

Once inside the Chapel," famous American monopolistic circles." for its 15th century frescoes The great interest in Gen. Marexecuted by the most celebrated shall's arrival here focussed the liberated areas at the cost of over the Pontiff will don his robes of eyes of, most of the world will gades, but "it is possible to stop rank and attend mass, facing rest in this conference. There is completely the government's offenthe Last Judgment over the altar gets along with his colleagues than Gen Chu specifically denied re-

After the Papal Chapel, the prosession will lead the way back to

Lorgia Hall. In the Hall of Paramenti, the Pope will receive in an intimate. ceremony all cardinals and archbishops who attended the ceremony, and congratulations.

The Papal anniversary is quite a day in the Vatican. Gaily bedecked with the yellow and white Papal The latter group will wait in the flug, the tiny state observes the

Vatican.—United Press.

Mr Stassen ex-governor | countries as Greece. He said he is wanted to avoid snap judgments on countries he visited.

He said he would leave to-day for Berne and then see Germany, Austria and part of the Balkans before going to Moscow, where he "The definite attitude of the expects to begin a 10-day tour on March 28.

Mr Stassen will be an unofficial observer at the Moscow Big Four conference.---United Press.

NO MONOPOLY **YEARS**

London, Mar. 9. The British mathematician and philosopher, Bertrand Russell, said to-day that the American monopoly on the atomic bomb would not last more than

five years. He asserted a world-government is mandatory if the new scientific Associated Press. world is to survive, and added: "Either we must consent entirely to a novel form of political-military organisation or we must expect worldwide disaster surpassing in horror all that the past in Misfortunes has enabled us to imagine."

He said that within five years, all

Industrialised nations which have

necess to adequate supplies of uranium and thorium would have atomic bombs. There are two ways in which world government may be created. he said. "The better way is by an

ensiest way by supremacy of a na-Mr Russell added it was clear that the dominant power, if there were one, would either be America or

Russia.—United Press.

agreement between the nations; the

IMMIGRANT SHIP'S CREW **CHARGES**

Twenty of the crew—including 18 Americans—of the Jewish illegal immigrant ship Abril, which reached Haifa last night with 590 men women and children on board, will appear before the Haifa magistrates' Mr Kundan said this on the oc- court to-morrow charged with "aidcasion of his visit to Dr Sockarno ing and abetting" illegal immigrawhen he presented a gift of books tion, it was officially stated to-night. . All but three of the immigrants sisted of literature on politics, philo- were to-day transhipped without

Jerusalem, Mar. 9.

-Informal-talks-have-been-taking place to-day between Jewish leaders At a press conference, the Indian in proparation for a special emer-Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem when the chairman of the Agency Executive, David Ben-Gurion, who is still ill, will preside.

The meeting is to discuss effect of martial law on Jewish An unofficial estimate given by

city at £700,000 for last week. "The Voice of Israel," the secret days martial law blanketing about Associated Press. 80 square kilometres of Palestine. said it manifested "the complete bankruptcy of British policy in Palestine."—Reuter.

ENVOY'S CAUTIOUS FORECAST

(Continued from Page 1) different problems. The articles The noble guards of the Pope, generally criticised the policy of the selected from the proudest Roman Western powers in Germany, aristocracy, in knee-high patent especially unification of the Anglo-American zones, and accused the Westerners of failure to demilitarise

One article also described Mr John Foster Dulles—Republican representative in the United States delegation—as a "representative of

in some issues for debute. being devoted to setting up pro-

The British are known to be anxious to begin discussions on the Austrian treaty early rather than wait its turn way down in the agenda.—United Press.

Royalty Deprived Of Nationality

New York, Mar. 10. the BBC arriounced that the tatorial chair. Swiss guards in their day of rest dedicated mostly, to Yugo-Slay National Assembly and deprived ex-king Peter and his American officers now in Communist mother of nationality and con-Associated their property. Associated no question about this (their

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CATHOLICS IN CHINA

Nanking, Mar. 9. China, Mgr Anthony Riberi, has received a papal ordinance war- New York. ning members of the Roman Catholic Church against joining "rebellious organisations." formed sources said. .

"keep themselves at a safe distance" be the case. for the sake of their souls.

The organisations are said to be World Youth for Democracy, the Federation of World Labourers. The decree said as a result of long observation the Vatican has come to belief that the three organisations all have Communistic inclinations.—

Turko-Bulgarian Border Closed

Radio Ankara reported without confirmation to-day that Bulgaria had closed the Turko-Bulgarian frontier.

"It is suggested that this closing of the frontier may be a temporary measure connected with the changing of banknotes and securities in Bul- alliance for 50 years by negotiation garia." the broadcast said.—United between Mr Ernest Bevin and Soviet

PENICILLIN STOLEN

Hamburg, Mar. 9. penicillin, a bale of textiles and of State, Mr James Byrnes. large quantities of food during the nlght from a cellar storeroom at West Sanatorium, in Charlottenburg area of Berlin.—

MOSCOW MEETING FORECAST

Rigid Control Of German Economy To Be Sought

By SYLVAIN MANGEOT Router's Diploma tie Correspondent.

Moscow. Mar., 9. The economic aspects of the German settlement are likely to be the key topic of the Moscow Conference opening. here to-morrow.

There is no indication here to contradict this opinion. already formed by diplomatic observers in London. The British delegation will make every effort to secure an arrangement by which Germany's power to rebuild an aggressive war potential is minimised by strict and durable interallied control over her right to require key commodities abroad-in other words, rigid control of her right to dispose of foreign assets.

| operation."

On the eve of the conference, problem—is possible only by strengno member of the British delegation is willing to predict how the conference will shape, or in what order the Ministers will The Vatican. Internuncio to discuss the six points placed on their agenda last December in

originally drafted, the conference sessions. Professional pessimists of will begin with exemination of the the reactionary camp have already Control Council's report on fulfilment | dragged out their boring but appar-The sources said the ordinance of the Potsdam Agreement on Ger- ently profitable theme song on listed three international organisa- many. Austria would figure sixth 'inevitable failure' of the Moscow tions of "dubious character" from and last on the list. No one yet knows talks." which Catholics are requested to for certain whether or not this will

The general impression here is of German imperialism for the purthe Federation of International that, following the precedents set in Womanhood, the Federation of Paris and New York, the Ministers will start with a brisk review of the outstanding quistions to see what musure of agreement, or disagreement, exists. They will then decide which quistions are ripe for detailed discussion at once, or after the deputies or experts have worked over them again.

British Policy

The British policy is understood to to based on the conviction that security measures against renewed German aggression can be effective only if pledges of combined Alled action for not less than 50 years are exchanged and honoured. Three steps towards this end are seen:

1. The Anglo-French alliance just concluded at Dunkirk. 2. Extension of the Anglo-Soviet

, 3. A four-power agreement for control of German disarmament along the lines proposed by the United States in the draft treaty of Thieves stole 1,260,000, units of the former United States Secretary

> Meanwhile, the Soviet periodical, the New Times, declares: "Real progress in international affairs-including a solution of the German

EVACUATION OF REDS TO YENAN SAID COMPLETED Yenan, Mar. 9.

The United States Government has fulfilled its final obligation to the Chinese Reds. An Army Air Force plane has completed the air lift of 146 Communists from Nationalist territory under terms of Gen Marshall's ill-fated mediation programme.

Highways into the Communist capital are filled with traffic. Militia volunteers are marching into the city while women and children and non-essential population are evacuating by horseback, carts and on foot for the second time in three months.

Guards who ring mountain crests around Yenan airfield will observe Jewish commercial sources in Tel- a truce to-morrow, when four Chinese Aviv gives the loss resulting from Air Force planes will arrive with a the martial law in the all Jewish group of Reds ordered out of Government terribory.

Communist General Chu Tch told radio of the Haganah Jewish Na- newsmen he is ready to pit 1,000,000 tionalist organisation, commenting regulars, plus, 4,000,000 militiamen to-day on the results of the seven against the Kuomintang legions.— Dairen Autonomous Regime

Yenan, Mar. 9. by a local autonomous government, including Communists, but said no Chinese Communists ever entered Port Arthur. He said there is a police force in

Dairen but no regular army. The groups of blame. police force itself is neither Soviet nor Chinese Communists, but the police of the autonomous govern-Gen Chu, whose armles destroyed

more railways since the Japanese surrender than during the war, said Generalissimo Chiang Kal-shek would open China's railways "only when there is peace." 'He said the government has been

able to capture over 100 cities in Umbrian and Florentine masters, spotlight on the man on whom the 60 divisions, recently called bri-

> ceiving arms or ammunition from The delegates are expected to talk the Soviets, explaining that "in the several days before substantive liberation war we relied on the supissues are discussed, the first days port of the people. We got our arms from the enemy." He estimated the Communist

strength at 1,000,000 regulars and n militia of 2,000,000 or 3,000,000. Regarding government plans to attack Yenan, Gen Chu said: "Now the enemy is making active preparations to attack. While we are preparing to annihilate the enemy forces in l'berated areas, we will be plane landed at Gatow, the R.A.F. able to hold Yenan with annihilation of the enemy."

Asked about the status of Maj Rigg and Capt Collins, the two hands, he stated: "I believe there is safety)."—United: Press.

Soviet General Refutes Charge

- Budapest, Mar. 9. Hungarian newspapers to-day published a note from Russian Lt-Gen Sviridov in which he refused a proposal made by Gen Weeks of the United States for "examination" of the present situation in Hungary.

Gen Sviridov, head of the Allied Control Commission in Hungary, said the allegation that Leftist Communist Gen Chu Teh admit- parties and attempted to comproted to-day that Dairen is governed mise leaders of the Smallholders Party with any republican conspiracy was without foundations. He said the Hungarian constitution was threatened by a conspiracy from which he absolved the Leftist

He refutes Gen Week's claim that the arrest of Bela 'Kovaes ntituted an intervention into Hungary's internal affairs.

Gen Sviridov sald: "Investigation has been closed. The criminals were tried by a court, so I cannot many, accept your proposal to examine together with the present situation any matter of conspiracy."--United

AIRCRAFT FORCED TO RETURN

Berlin, Mar. 9. Engine trouble forced the return of an aircraft which set out from here to-day for Moscow, to take Sir William Strang, the British Political adviser to the Control Commission, and General Sir Brian Robertson, Press. British deputy military governor of Germany, earlier delayed by snow-

After two hours, in the nir the airport here.

The advisers plan to take off again to-morrow morning. "

"special deputy" for Germany at the deputies conference in London. between the great allies and bridling enemies and underminers of this co-

Soviet Comment.

. The world press, the article says, "is making all kinds of guesses and suppositions regarding the progress If this agenda is followed as to be expected from the Moscow

> The New Times considers that "reactionary circles are openly preaching schemes for the rebirth pose of using it against the Soviet Union and other democratic countries in enstern Europe. *

> "In such projects as 'Western Bloc' or 'United States of Europe' a specific utilitarian role is assigned to n 'strong Germany.' Trying to shift the blame, the adventurists of the reactionary camp claim that the Soviet Union is attempting to use Germany against Western Europe and the United States. The absurdity of such statements issues not only from the fact that the Soviet Union is bound by certain agreements with other allied powers-and our country sacredly fulfils the obligations it has undertaken-but from the fact that such policy would mean the departure of the Soviet Union from her basic national interests."

The New Times says that despite recent lessons the reactionary foreign press does not lack counsellors and instigators, who are strongly insisting on unilateral action in solving the German pro-

"We cannot close our eyes to the fact that this is not limited solely to advice. We recall the unllateral fusion of the British and American zones in Germany, clearly violating the Potsdam Agreement in Western Germany-particularly the decisions on reparations, destruction of the military and economic potential, uprooting Nazism and democratishtion of the whole public life."--Reuter,

Warm In Moscow

Moscow, Mar. 9. Britishers decked out in fur hats. gloves and boots, which were loaned by the Foreign Office, grinned a bit sheepishly to-day and remarked the garments would have done them more good in London - than] nere in Moscow.

The temperature hovered around three or four degrees Centigrade above and the sun pecked through overcast skies.

Said one British newspaperman who came prepared for the worst in weather: "Why, It is nothing compared to London." Local citizens told them knowingly this was an unusual winter and that Saturday's reduction of snow

and lee on the streets to slush was strictly temporary. If past experiences hold, the mercury will plumet again soon and long sieges of subfreezing weather accompanied by blizzards can be expected until mid-April.—United Press.

WOMEN MUST PREVENTWAR

Berlin, Mar. 0. Doctor Anne-Marie Durand-Wever, Berlin physician who believes that women of the world must prevent another war, to-day was elected president of the "Democratic Women's League of Germany" at the closing session of the "German Women's Congress for Peace.'

The three-day conference in Berlin's State Opera House was attended by visiting delegates of the "International Women's Federation" from Russia and France and by British. Russin and American military government observers. More than 2.000 women delegates represented all four zones of Ger-

The grey-haired 01-year-old Dr Durand-Wever, who was graduated from the University of Chicago in 1010, told the conference, that the aims of the League were to assure

after women's interests. "I think that no woman wants war and thus I feel that the German Women's League might make progress in assuring peace and bringing about international under-

maintenance of peace and to look

standing." 🛴 Dr Durand-Wover was the cofounder of the German Union of Women Physicians and led a campoign for birth control.—United

PRINCESS

Johannesburg, Mar. 9. As a novel 21st birthday present for Princess Elizabeth, the people of Southern Rhodesia are collecting Sir William was Mr Ernest Bevin's | £25,000 as a fund to emble Britishera to visit Rhodesia and vice versa, it was announced yesterday,---Associated Press.

MISS AUSTRALIA ENGAGED

Brisbane, Mar. 5. Miss Rhondds, Kelly, blondo "Miss Australia" of 1946 who last year toured Britain and the United States, yesterday, announced her engagement to the sweatheart of her school days. Twenty-year-old Rhondda said she would marry Nocl Ullman, 22-year-old Brishane engineer. but that wedding bells would not

ring for "at least two years." To-morrow Rhounds, begins to conduct a regular women's session from a Brisbane radio station.—Associated Press.

WANTS TO NATIONALISE GAMBLING

London, Mar. 7. Will Nally, Labour member of Parliament, has called for stateoperated gambling to "protect the people against the swarm of parasites who infest the gambling industry."

"Nationalisation of gambling," he declared in a statement, "is likely to command almost universal political

Nally predicted that the whole question of football pools and other betting soon would be discussed by the Parliamentary Labour Party. Newspaper estimates have placed the "grand total of expenditure on the most popular forms of gambling' in Britain at approximately £700,-000,000 annually.—Associated Press.

Holy Communion For Adm. Stone

Vatican City, Mar. 9. Admiral Ellery Stone, head of, Italian military affairs for the Allies, who was admitted to the Catholic Church yesterday, received holy communion for the first time to-day at mass in the Vatican grottoes. Adm, Stone and Sister Allison were received by the Pope in a private audience for 15 minutes at. 12.30 p.m.

Monsigner Giovanni Negris, Secretary-General of the Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith, who imparted the sacrament of confirmation to Adm. Stone yesterday, officiated at the mass to-day.—United Press.

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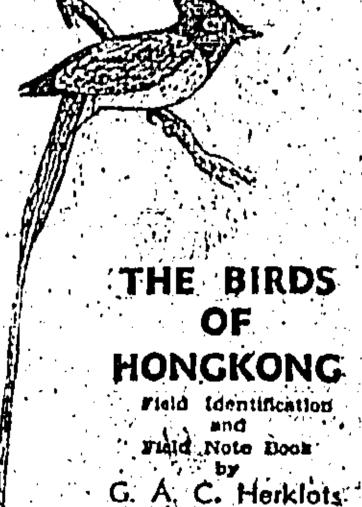
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